Needham Youth Services

Board of Director Meeting Notes

April 11, 2012

Materials Distributed (both prior to and at the meeting): Agenda; Minutes of 3/14/2012; April Department Report; Summer Brochure; A Conversation....Evaluations of 3/6/2012; Extreme Looks Program Information; Project VAN Program Information; QPR Training Evaluations of 2/2/2012; Needham Unplugged Street Signage; and twenty (20) newspaper articles.

Accepted Minutes of 3/14/2012

• Community Focus Discussion:

Discussed a range of issues such as the "Speak Out" at Needham High School, the upcoming Town Meeting, and other issues related to the schools and community.

Update on Summer Programs

An update/preview was provided on summer programs Project VAN and Extreme Looks. It is expected that each program will be sold out (registration opens on April 30, 2012).

• Discussion of Membership

Cathy, Ronnie, and Jessica will be resigning from the Board at the end of this fiscal year, and Danielle's term will be ending at the same time. Members are encouraged to identify people who might be interested in serving, and these will be forwarded to the appropriate Appointing Boards.

• New/Old Business:

- Babysitter Training Seminars have concluded for the year; 5 units were held..
- Update on Youth Services' space; took a "field trip" to view the new furniture.
- Update on VIP Program; program ended for the year and will expand next year.
- Update on Peer Tutor Program; things going well.
- Peer Tutor Award Ceremony was held last week and was a great event.
- Update on Make A Statement Day: over 900 participated in this program.
- Update on Needham Unplugged; program ended in March.
- We will be facilitating a program in late April for middle school parents on the book "The Price of Privilege"
- The "Dads Only Group" on parenting was held at the end of March was very successful.
- We have been meeting with Needham residents about the establishment of a Community Center; more information in the months ahead.
- Carol will be on Medical Leave beginning in mid-April (hoping to return by mid-May).
- Update on Needham High School Programs: Teen Dating Violence and Loss

• **Upcoming Meeting:**

May 9, 2012 at 5:30 at Needham Town Hall (May/Chapel Meeting Room)

• Adjourn

Members Present: Cathy Lunetta, Jessica Hoguet, Allison Berger, David Bookston, Ronnie Haas, Vin

Springer, Debbie Winnick

Members Absent: Danielle Penny

Staff Present: Jon Mattleman, Katy Colthart, Michelle Butman